THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) and (b) Shri Mahan Singh was in service from 28-4-1931 to February 1960 as Non-Combatant Enrolled and he was re-employed from February 1960 to 27-4-1972 as temporary Supervisor Technical in lieu of Combatant. He was not confirmed in the civilian post.

(c) The terms and conditions attached to the appointment of Shri Mahan Singh as Non-Combatant (Enrolled) did not envisage payment of pension to him. He was paid a sum of Rs. 3470.67 as gratuity on his retirement as NC(E) in 1960. Thereafter, his re-employment as Supervisor Technical on temporary basis against the post meant for Combatants was subject to the condition that his services would be terminated as and when a regular incumbent became available. Therefore, he was not confirmed. During his re-employment he was contributing to IOWPF (a contributory provident fund) and he was paid Rs. 6738/- by way of final settlement of his PF account including govt. contribution and bonus at the time of his retirement in 1972. As he was contributing to IOWPF he was not eligible for gratuity or pension.

(d) The posts of Supervisor Technical were converted into regular civilian posts *w.e.f.* 1-4-1974 and as a result, such persons who were in service as Supervisor Technical on 1-4-1974 and there after, became eligible for confirmation and grant of pensionary benefits.

Upgradation of Nizam Institute of Medical Sciences at Hyderabad

1708. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Andhra Pradesh Government have upgraded the Nizam Institute of Medical Sciences, Hyderabad into a super speciality hospital and declared it a deemed University by legislature;

(b) if so, the amount of funds proposed to be contributed by the Central Government for this upgradation programme; and

(c) whether the Central Government would treat this project on par with PGI at Chandigarh and JIPMER at Pondicherry for allocating funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) No such information is available with Government of India.

(b) No funds have been provided by the Central Government for this.

(c) No, Sir.

Harassment of SC Employees in Raj Kumari Amrit Kaur Nursing Mahavidyalaya, New Delhi

1709. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints of harassment of Scheduled Caste employees of Raj Kumari Amrit Kaur Nursing Mahavidyalaya, New Delhi as reported in the 'Veer Arjun' of 4th February, 1989, if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether any remedial steps have been taken; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) The Government have seen the news-item appeared in the "Veer Arjun" of 4th February, 1989. wherein allegations of harassment of Safai Karamcharies belonging to Scheduled Caste Community by the management of Raj Kumari Amrit Kaur college of Nursing, New Delhi have been made.

(b) and (c) The allegations have been looked into and it has been found that harassment to Safai Kadamcharies on the basis of caste has been attributed by

giving distorted versions of facts in the news-item. The facts relates to the day-to-day issues of the College with regard to transfer/posting of Group 'D' staff from one place to another and other routine displinary matters. There have been false complaints for quite some time on these matters.

The College management have taken a lenient view against such persons because of their being Group 'D' employees.

Cases in the Administrative Tribunals

1710. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 201 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th April, 1989 and state:

(a) what is the year-wise breakup of arrears of cases pending before various benches of the Central Administrative Tribunal; and

(b) what effective steps are being taken to speed up disposal of the pending cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) A statement showing year-wise break-up of arrears of cases pending before various benches of Central Administrative Tribunal as on 31.3.89 is annexed. [*See* Appendix CL, Annexure No. 83].

(b) To speed up disposal of pending cases, Government have strengthened the Central Administrative Tribunal by filling up the vacant posts of Vice-Chairmen and Members of different benches of the Tribunal.

Arms factories in the country

1711. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state what is the total number of arms factories in the country, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): There are 100 arms factories in the Private Sector administered by the Ministry of Home Affairs and their state-wise distribution is given in Statement-I.

Statement-I.

Sl. No.	State	Number of Arms Factories in Private Sector
1	Assam	2
2	Bihar	37
3	Himachal Pradesh	4
4	Karnataka	3
5	Jammu & Kashmir	30
6	Madhya Pradesh	7
7	Rajasthan	13
8	Manipur	1
9	Uttar Pradesh	3
	TOTAL:	100

In the Defence Sector, there are 35 Ordnance and Ordnance Equipment Factories (other than projects) and one public